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188,444,86 68,252,42 5,949,43 1,165,75 288,301,57

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A Maiden from the city
Tripped lightly mid the trees,
And snifled a pungent oder
That floated on the breeze.

"O, tell ms, ancient farmer,
With arms so brown and bare,
What is this wondrdus flower
That scents the morning air!" Lond laughed the ancient farmer.
Till tears rolled down his cheek:
"Why, bless you, that's a pole cat;
I've smelt him for a week."

The Pork Crop of 1879.

The Cincinnatti Price Current, which certainly connot have any particular interest in underrating the bog supply, states from information from 225 correspondents, that the prospective supply of hope for marketing before next winter is considerably short of last year—probably twenty to twenty-five per cent less. In Ohio, Kantucky and Indianon there is evidence of a marked decrease in supply, while fillinois will likely not be largely short of last year and lowa will likewise be but little deficient Missouri will probably furnish as many, and Kanass and Nebraska more than last year. The expressions offered, taken literally, would probably point to a larger decrease that suggested, but observations in the past lead to the conclusion that the tendency is to overestimate a decrease in supply. decrease in supply.

Locking Upward.

Real estate is on the rise in the east, and the swell has reached the west. Reats are looking upward. In fact, values are on the increase. Horses are 25 per cent. higher than they were six months ago. The bottom has been reacted, and the tendency will be upward from this time forward.—Rural World.

Mr. H. S. Bushnell, of Illinois, claims that Mr. H. S. Bushnell, of lillhols, claims that he has discovered a process by which an excellent quality of hardwood lumber can be made from wheat straw. Taking as many sheets of straw as are necessary to make the thickness of lumber desired, he passes them through a chemical solution which saturates and softens the fiber. He then passes it through several rollers, which harden, dry and called it wherea it comes out excellent. and polish it, whence it comes out excellent lumber. He says that the chemical proper-ties, hardening in the fiber entirely prevent water soaking, and make the wood almost incombustible. A reporter writes that the samples exhibited could scarcely be told from hardwood lumber, and in sawing it the differ-ence could not be detected. Imitations of pine, black walnut, mahogany and marble, of a superior quality, are made, all of which admit of a very high polish.

Amongst a number of land warrants issued to soldiers of the Mexican war under set of 1847, and mailed to the warrantses, at the respective piaces of residence, some failed to reach their destination, and lound their way-to the dead letter office, where they have been preserved and held, subject to the application of the owners. Amongst a list published, is the name of William F. Whitley, of Jefferson City, Mo., as the owner of No. 56, 925 Who knows anything about William F. Whitley or his heirs! We publish this item, hoping that it may arrest the attention of some party interested, but we have failed to find any body who remembers any such person as William F. Whitley.—Tribune.

Mexico Intelligencer: The indications are

Mexico Intelligencer: The indications are Mexico Intelligencer: The indications are that there will be an unusual cop of Democratic candidates for Governor next year. Among the many mentioned are T. T. Crittanden, John A. Hockeday, John Walker. Erastus Well, John F. Phillips, Chas. H. Maneur, John B. Hale, Thos. Holliday, John F. Williams, R. P. C. Wilson. Of those here mentioned, or that may hereafter be mentioned, the man who beats the first named above will possibly be the next Governor.

July 8th, A. D., 1879, at her home in Cole county, Mrs. Hettie L. wife of Mr. John W. county, Mrs. Hettie L. wife of Mr. John W. Gordon and daughter of the late Capt, Sam'l. McMillen. She was born in Fayette, Howard county, Missouri. To her many triends and physicians who attended her with so much kitchness in her last illness, are extended sincere thanks. Mrs. Gordon was 35 years old, and married to her husband November 23, 1835. Talburg. 23, 1865 .- Tribune.

The Governor has directed a reward of \$200, to be offered for the apprehension, arrest and delivery, within the next 12 months, to the Marshal of the City of St. Louis, at St. Louis, of Charles Sanders, who, on the evening of Sunday, May 29, murdered officer Prints, of the St. Louis police force.

The Cabinet at Washington has been dis cussing a petition for the pardon of a man in Utah sentenced to the Penitentiary for the crime of polygamy. We have not heard the accision, but it will be a sad blow if the first conviction should be pardoned as soon as is sentenced.

Estimating the population of the country in 1880, at 47,000,000 the Washington Repubiican estimates that Iowa and Kansas will gain four representatives each, Ilinois, Mich-igan, Minnesota and Missouri will each gain three, Nebraska two, Wisconsin one.

Receipts of peaches in the city of St. Louis average about two hundred boxes daily They come from Arkansas, Alabama and Texas, and the quality of the fruit and man-ner of packing abow considerable improve-ment over former years.

Hon. T. T. Crittenden is writing interestterent points. The Colonel is going to Lead-ville, and a friend whispers that when he strikes a bonanza be will return and run for Governor of Missouri.—Bazoo.

A Seneca Falls minister is charged with hiring a liveryhorse and wagon, swapping borses six times in two days and returning to the stable with the same horse he tool out, having made \$100 by his operations.

The prospect now is that there will be a very large European demand for American broad stuffs this season, and that the export of cereals will be larger this year than ever

The European crops are generally very poor. There must be a very large demand for all our important crops. This will help our country amazingly. The third annual fair of the Sweet Springs

District Fair Association will be held Browns-ville from Aug. 19 to Aug. 28 inclusive.

PEFFERSON CITY.

The Missouri Central Road to be Built at Once--- Jefferson Real Estate Aiready Looking Up ... Everything Infused With New Life .-- A Line of Barges to be Run in Connection with the New Boad---Elevators to be Erected to Handle the Grain of Southwestern Counties ... Jetferson City to Have Water Works, &c., &c.

JEFFERSON CITY, July 16. Only 95 deg- in the shade yesterday and still the railroad is booming, enough money has been subscribed and to-day articles of associa tion are being prepared for the construction company to comence immediatly. The expectation is to have the line completed to the county line by November at the fatherest. Already the town shows signs of renewed life. and people are feeling much better tha did when the legislature adjourned, Another matter of some interest is the fact

that upon the completion of the road, a line that upon the completion of the road, a line of boats will be put upon the river between this elty and St. Louis, connecting with all trains. A company is already chartered for this purpose, thereby giving pienty of competition. Already the construction of elevators to handle the grain of the road is talked of and sites for a couple selected. There is a fine future before this city now, and every opportunity will be taken to improve it.

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While we have the improvement lever, still, another project is advanced i. a the construction of waterworks. The State has a powerful engine at its pump house at the penitentiary, and Warden Willia, at little costs, can erect a reservoir on the prison comparts. grounds—the highest point around town—a thing he will have to do to make the prison using he will have to do to make the prison water supply complete, and by making it a little larger the whole city can be supplied exceedingly cheap and the State reap the benefits thereot. This matter is likely to be proceeded with very soon, and will prove quite an addition to the future railroad center of Missouri.

The following statistics from Dr. Shannon, State Superintendent of Education will be found interesting: School Population..... 638, 248

\$8,321,300 Average school year in m'the. Average school year in m'the in graded school districts..... Total number of teachers em-

Femules. month verage wages of m'th in graded

Females... REVENUE. From interest on State per-From one-fourth State reve-174,080 16 363,276 32

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schools,

440.191 **est 2,446,910 **rty Total.....\$ 8,424,408 west

THE PROSPECTS FOR BUSINESS, west St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

Every country depends upon its crops sairtyor less. But some countries depend uarter the crops of others. England and France, not to speak of our one, are in the latter condition. They won [318]

without bread but for foreign grain. years they had to import their bread. 379, The great wheat producing and expce fore countries of Europe are Hungary and Rof that They are the only competitors the U er and States have in supplying both Englancto the France.

Now, looking at it from a common to the business standpoint, the situation appearsy said be about this:

Our crops in this country—both grain Mo. cotton—will, beyond question, be excellent. On the other hand, the crops in Europe, as a

rule, are a failure.

In England the grain produced will be less then usual. Italy the crops are said to be nearly

ruined.

In Germany they are reported to be very fair, though fair only.

But in Austria-Hungary and Southern Russia, the real granaries of Europe and the only countries that compute with the United States, the grain crops are reported to be

very seriously damaged, if not partially ruin-

Under these circumstances we can see no possible reason why the experts of this year's crop should not bring a larger amount of money to this country than any previous

year ever brought-bring it in gold, too. We think that every indication points to a prosperous fall trade. For money in the pocket of the shipper meant money for the farmer, and indirectly money for Learly

every branch of trade and industry.

Yellow Pever.

National Associated Press to the Star.

NEW ORLEANS LIFTS THE QUARANTINE. NAW CRLEANS, July 16.—At a meeting of the Board of Health the following resolution was adopted:
"Resolved, That the quarantine sgainst Memphis be rescioded and apply only in

case of some unforseen emergency."

Hayana steamships yesterday and both were

sent to Swanburn Island.

WASHINGTON.

A Pinancial Circular of Interest.

Statistical and Other Information Regarding Wheat and Corn.

Warmington, July 15,—A circular of the financial operations of the government has been issued from the Treasury, showing that the reduction of the interest bearing debt from the bighest point, August 31, 1865, to July 1st, 1879, amounts to \$533,836,534, and a reduction in actual interest charge when the present funding operations are completed, Aug. 1, 1879, will be \$67,203,910, the total debt being reduced \$729,224,315, and the reduction since March 1st 1877, is \$61,552,886, Bends refunded under sets of July 14th, 1870, January 20th 1874, amounts to \$1,306,-023,000, on which the annual interests charged was \$81,673,487. In place of these bonds there will be issued when the present refunding operations are completed, which will not be later than August 1st, 1879, bends on which the annual interest charged will be \$61,765,880, mg/rg an annual saving of debt in interest charged on the amount of the interest charged on the amount \$14,287,177 arises from transactions since March 1, 1877, Bonds have been sold for resumption purposes since March 1, 1877, the interest on which represents the cost of the coin of reserve, as follows: Funded loss of 1879—61's—\$05,000, cooling in interest thrugh refunding and resumption operate, since March 1, 1877, of \$10,372,177. In addition to above bonds there was in 1878, to replace the coin used in the payment of the Halifax award, four per cent, bonds amounting to \$5,000,000, issued.

WINTER WHEAT.

July returns show an average condition of WARHINGTON, July 15,-A circular of the

the Halifax award, four per cent, bonds amounting to \$5,000,000, issued.

WINTER WIRAT.

July returns show an average condition of winter wheat of 91 against 101 for July, 1878. New England states average 99. The crop here was small and late, but promising. The Middle states average 86. There are many complaints of drought, mildew, Hessian fly and storms. The South Attantic states average 95. Stands are thinned by winter killing and growths are stunned by drougth in many northern counties. but farther down the coast the condition is greatly improved. This section would be a full average but for injuries in Virginia bringing the state's average to 86. Georgis reports 108, with an excellent quality of grain. Commercial authorities quote an almost entire cessation of movement of Northern wheat to Georgia, local mills finding material sufficient in their home growth. The Gulf states average 75. The small crops of Alabama and Missasippi are in a high condition, but the crop of Texas is a third below the average. Through drough and local storms Soutners inland states show 98. Grain is of remarkable iair quality generally in states morth of the Ohio river averaging 101. Straw is short, but the grain is plump, heads are heavy but greatly improved by the recent rains. States west of Mississippi 87. The imprises by chieschedges in southern parts and by storms in the Northarn portion of the pacific states makes the average 108. Winter wheat of Oregon average 112.

CORN. The area planted in the whole country exceeds that planted inst year. North Carolina, Mississippi, Arkansas and Tennesse show largest in the South, Ohio and Indiana show some decrease, while Hiljools increases seven per cent. States west of the Mississippi river make the largest gains as a section. Nebracks, Kansas, Jowa and Missouri, all



Mare martin and Combines all the

Clever Hay for Hogs.

Let any samer try the experiment of cutting and curing a lot of second crop clover while the atala is yet green, or about the time it is fairly in bloom. Let it be well cured (without rain, if possible) and showed away under some good shelter for the use of his hogs in winter, and if his heart rejoices in the happiness of God's creatures, it will do him good to see how his hogs enjoy a feed of clover once a day—how they will pick out the heads, leaves and small stems, and leave nothing but the coarsest portion of the stalk. He will then and little difficulty in agreeing with us that stock hogs require a little roughwith us that stock hogs require a little rough-ness in winter as well as other stock, and therefore should not be confined exclusively to solid grain.-Itural World.

Bocruiting for the Navy.

National Associated Press to the Star. NEW ORLEADS. July 16 .- The work which brought the United States man-of war Wachusett to these waters, the enlistment of boys between the ages of fifteen and eighteen years of age for the naval service, began this morning at ten o'clock at which hour the officers of the vessel, which lies at the bead of Gravier street, began to receive applicants on board.

The Southern Planter says the leaves of mullen scattered among the corn in the crib, Two MORE IMPORTED CASES.

NEW YORK, July 16.—Two new cases of will effectually preserve it from the ravages of rate, and that corn, soaked in a solution of sulphate of fron (copperss) previous to planting, will not be troubled with moles.